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SUBJ: MIMI B AND CAPTAIN LARRY CREWS

REF: GUAYAQUIL 106 (NOTAL); TUELLER-KELLER TELECON FEBRUARY 19,
1975

1. REF TELECON REQUESTED CONFIRMATION MIMI B'S TRAVAILS IN
ECUADOR. FOLLOWING IS SUPERFICIAL SUMMARY.

2. MIMI B AND SISTER BOAT PATRICIA B CAME TO ECUADOR TO FISH UNDER
ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN B&B FISHERIES INTERNATIONAL, A
PANAMANIAN CORPORATION, AND EPNA, THE ECUADOREAN GOVERNMENTAL
FISHING ENTERPRISE. BOATS SPENT SEVERAL MONTHS OUTFITTING AND ON
JUNE 12, 1974 B&B UNILATERALLY TERMINATED ASSOCIATION CONTRACT
BEFORE ANY REAL FISHING UNDERTAKEN. EPNA CLAIMED BREACH OF CONTRACT,
FORCING B&B TO FORFEIT 20,000 DOLLAR GUARANTEE. THEN A LIEN AND
VARIOUS OTHER LOCAL CLAIMS WERE PLACED AGAINST MIMI B. BOATS WERE
CONFIEND TO PORT AT MANTA PENDING RESOLUTION. PATRICIA B MANAGED
TO LEAVE NOVEMBER 14, 1974.

3. LARRY CREWS ARRIVED DECEMBER 3, 1974 TO TAKE COMMAND OF MIMI
B. CLAIMS FINALLY WERE SETTLED AND MIMI B DEPARTED MANTA
JANUARY 20, 1975. SINCE OTHER CREWMEMBERS HAD LONG SINCE ABAN-
DONED SHIP, CRES SAILED ACCOMPANIED ONLY BY CANADIAN JEHOVA'S
WITNESS MISSIONARY AND FAMILY. MIMI B HAD BEEN CONFINED APPROXI-
MATELY SEVEN MONTHS AND RELEASE COSTS KNOWN TO US APPROXIMATE
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\$80,000. AS FAR AS WE KNOW, THEY DID NOT CATCH A FISH AND THIS

WAS CLEAR LOSS.
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